

HA-1584

Frame Bank House
3119 Ady Road

Summary

While not an architectonic structure, this small building has characteristics that make it a typical Harford County dwelling. It is a bank house, built on the side of a hill, and it utilizes stone and wood, both readily available materials of the region. To suggest a comparison, it was the ranch house of 19th century Harford County.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

3119 Ady Road

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

East side of Ady Road north of Deer Creek

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

___ VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION**CATEGORY**

___ DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

___ STRUCTURE

___ SITE

___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___ IN PROCESS

___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

___ OCCUPIED

☒ UNOCCUPIED

___ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

___ YES: RESTRICTED

___ YES: UNRESTRICTED

☒ NO**PRESENT USE**☒ AGRICULTURE

___ MUSEUM

___ COMMERCIAL

___ PARK

___ EDUCATIONAL

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

___ ENTERTAINMENT

___ RELIGIOUS

___ GOVERNMENT

___ SCIENTIFIC

___ INDUSTRIAL

___ TRANSPORTATION

___ MILITARY

___ OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Laura Ava Edwards

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

3456 Churchville Road

CITY, TOWN

Aberdeen, Maryland

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
21001**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Harford County Courthouse

Liber #: 633

Folio #: 337

STREET & NUMBER

40 South Main Street

CITY, TOWN

Bel Air,

STATE
Maryland**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

NA-1574

| CONDITION | | CHECK ONE | CHECK ONE |
|------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED | <input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED | <input type="checkbox"/> MOVED |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED | | DATE _____ |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This building was gutted by fire three weeks before recording.

November 21, 1980

This 1- $\frac{1}{2}$ story bank house stands on the east side of Ady Road facing south on the Deer Creek.

In so far as it is three bays wide and one deep it is an house, gable ended sitting upon a full stone walled basement kitchen. The upper levels are of transitional frame construction, consisting of a box frame mixing post-and-beam and balloon framing. Hewn 1-1/2 story corner-posts, plates sills and a mid post on the north side are joined via mortise tenon and trunnel. There are no angle braces, however, and 2"X5" mechanically sawn studs bespeak modern framing techniques. The frame was covered with circular sawn weatherboards attached with cut nails. The stone portion of the building was whitewashed.

The plan provided for a kitchen in the first lever (stone portion) a parlour and unheated sleeping room on the first level with a bilateral transversely divided 1/2 story above.

An interior stove flue occupies the west gable-end and winder stairs for all three levels are in the north west corner of the building.

The north facade of the frame portion is the second level has a centrally located entrance with the partition being on the left upon entering. The second entrance is a centrally located door on the south side at cellar level.

The south facade is perhaps the most interesting. The house is 14' deep, however, the stone end walls are a total length of 21'3" providing strong stone supports for the two-story gallery on this side. Transverse puncheons support the second story floor and unfinished treeposts support the shed roof. The south wall of the kitchen is not stone but frame, with whitewashed clapboards attached with cut nails.

Also on the site is a springhouse-dairy and a great number of sheds. The current privy is a most interesting construction consisting of corrugated sheet metal in the normal proportions for a one-holer. Its grand feature is a roof that is accomplished with the hood of a 1957 Ford. The down turn of the hood just above the radiator forms a streamlined cornice for the privy and the appropriately placed chrome letters of FORD announce the age of the materials and the paradox of their use.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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| PERIOD | AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW | | | |
|---|--|---|---|--|
| PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499 | <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Harford County west of the immediate Bay-Susquehanna area is a very hilly region with the slopes and stream valleys often exhibiting dramatic contours. It is at the same time an agricultural region. The buildings of such an area are unique in many respects with farmhouses and barns having appropriate plans, materials and construction.

This house is a typical example of how both the residence and the barn utilize stone on the first level and wood (either log or frame) in the upper levels. Each level has its separate function. With the residence there is a kitchen on the first level, parlour and sleeping room on the second and more bedrooms on the third. The barn accomodates the byre and a stable, granary and mow respectively.

Building into the slope (as opposed to on top of the hill) allows ground level terraces to both the first and second levels where the first level can face a southerly direction, the upper story of the barn is cantilevered and the house has an upper porch or gallery that quite often is supported by unfinished tree poles. The first level space below is thus sheltered from the wind by the extended end-walls, from precipitation by the overhang but open to the winter sun.

This particular residence is of the three-stone wall type with the south wall being of frame. Of the different variations on the bank house this particular feature is most similar to the typical bank barn. Bank structures as a group are an example of the strong relationship between material culture, particularly buildings, and the natural environment in which it exists.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Wayne L. Nield II, Historic Site Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Harford County Department of Planning and Zoning

DATE

April, 1981

STREET & NUMBER

45 South Main Street

TELEPHONE

(301) 838-6000 ext. 207

CITY OR TOWN

Bel Air, Maryland 21014

STATE

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

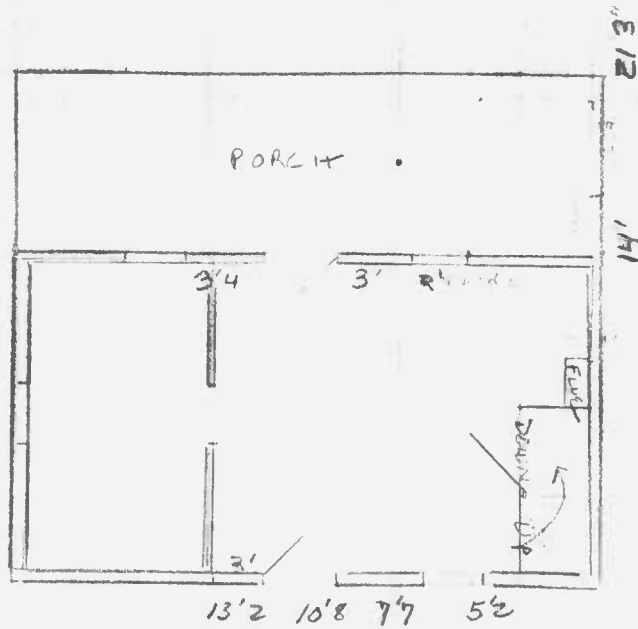
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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

BY WN DATE 11/20/60 SUBJECT DALTON RES.
 CHKD. BY _____ DATE _____ 3119 ADY Rd.
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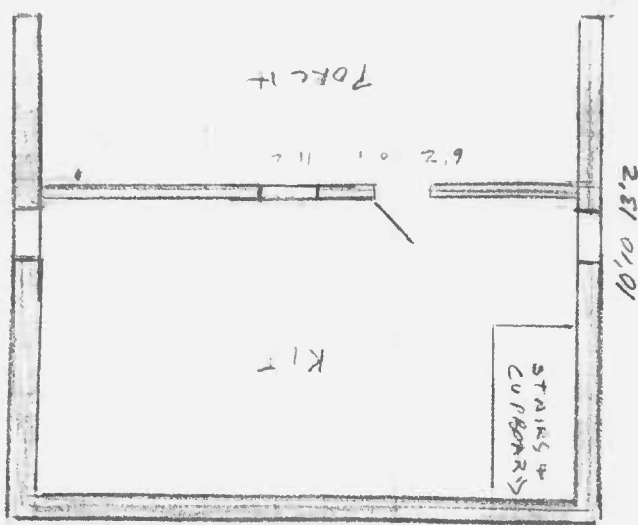
SHEET NO. _____ OF _____
 JOB NO. _____

2nd level

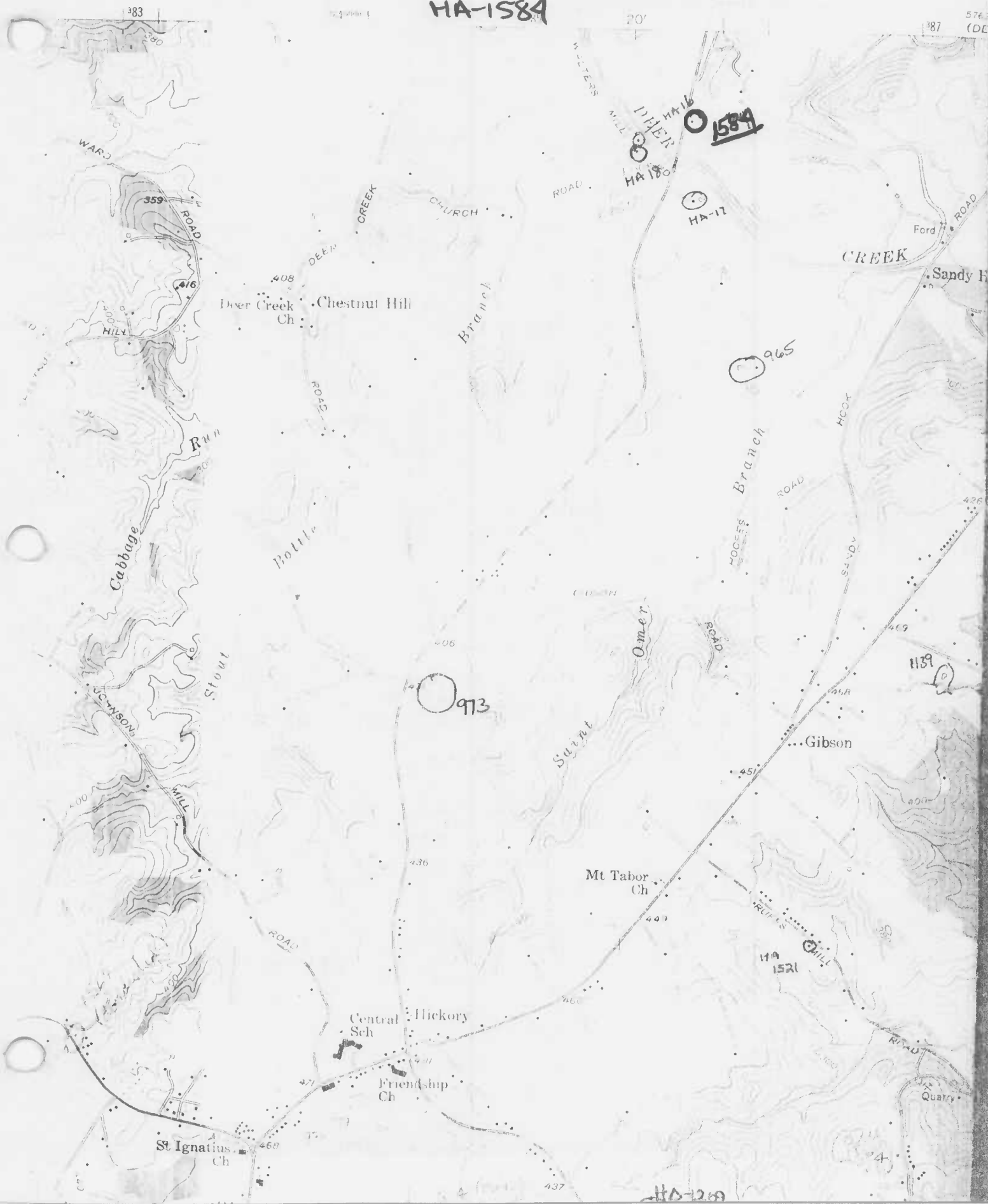


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1st level



Bel Air Quad
7.5 Minute Series
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Wayne Nield August 1981

southeast elevation



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west elevation



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south elevation.



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Privy- south elevation